

Daleville Church of the Brethren
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September Scriptures and Sermons

September 6 Psalm 146
"Praise the Lord"

September 13 Pastor Doug on vacation,
Bill Sumner to preach

September 20 Matthew 5:43-47
"Praying for Peace"

September 27 Mark 9:30-37
"Servants of All"



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"Unexpected Setbacks"

Over the last month, NFL teams have all began their annual training camp practices in preparation for the upcoming season. For all teams, its a time when they begin what they hope will be a successful season. For some, that means improving to a winning record and for others contending for a playoff spot and an opportunity to win the Super Bowl. All in all, its a time that most NFL fans look forward to each year, as it marks the return of the sport to televisions and stadiums around the country.

As part of their preparations, each team plays a schedule of pre-season games. These games allow teams to evaluate their players in actual game situations, and to get a chance to try out their various schemes against their opponents. Many fans look forward to watching these games, even though the starting players typically do not participate very much in these games. There is, however, a dark side to these games, and that comes in the form of injuries to star players that will occasionally force them to miss the entire upcoming season.

One Sunday in August, I was excited to get to see my favorite team, the Green Bay Packers, take on the Pittsburgh Steelers in one of these pre-season contests. Shortly after the game started, however, I became very concerned. Jordy Nelson, the team's top receiver, fell after a catch and limped to the sideline. A little while later, reports came out that he had suffered a knee injury, one that typically means that the player will miss the entire season. The next day, those reports were confirmed. He would be out for the rest of the year. Quite a setback, one that was not really expected at the start of training camp.

I wonder at times how we respond to unexpected setbacks in our lives. Things aren't going the way we expected, so we just want to give up that goal and make a new one. There are times, of course, when we have no other choice but to do so. Yet, it seems like we default to this choice far too easily. We try something once, and it doesn't go how we think it will and assume that it never will. And so, we simply refuse to try again.

Of course, many Packers fans were disappointed in the news that Jordy would miss the season, and began to wonder what to expect from the season. Mike McCarthy, the head coach of the team gave an interview in which he proclaimed that the team's goal of a Super Bowl win would not change. Even this unexpected setback, a major one by most measures, would not change what they want to accomplish.

Perhaps we can learn from this. Perhaps, when unexpected setbacks come, we can pick ourselves up and keep trying to accomplish what we set out to do. Whether its a financial setback, a physical or emotional or spiritual one, we always have the choice to not let that dictate our future. May we be a people who are determined to carry on, to seek God no matter what happens in our lives.

In Christ,
Pastor Doug

Upcoming Events for September

Bring Canned Goods Sept. 6th!

Women's Group is on Thursday, Sept. 10th at 6:30pm. The ladies are dining at The Pasta Pit in Salem this month.

Deacons are meeting after church on Sept. 20th.

Church Board Meeting on Monday, Sept. 21st at 6:30pm. Board members are encouraged to attend for the budget discussion.

*Heritage
Oct. 3rd*

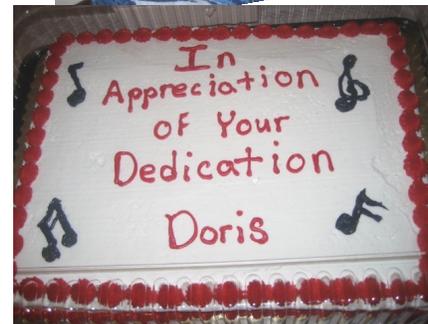


*Day
7:30-2:30*

Instead of a booth to raise money for camp, we are taking up donations on Sept. 20th and 27th. Look for envelopes in your bulletins.



Doris Quarles Recognition Sunday Aug. 23, 2015



Photos by Gerry Minter

RX Corner

with Dorothy Shumate



Five Things to do in September

- 1. Consider a thyroid test. Your thyroid levels can change over time.**
- 2. Check for rough skin spots. Scaly patches may warrant medical attention .**
- 3. Tune in to your taste buds. There's a healthy diet to match your food preferences.**
- 4. Buy some aspirin. It could save your life.**
- 5. Rise early. Sleeping in is linked to higher dementia risk.**

(from Harvard Women's Health Watch, September 2015)

Gene Lee has a new telephone number. Please make note of the change: (540) 759-6622



September Bible Readings

- 1 Hosea 8-14
- 2 John 10-12
- 3 2 Timothy 3-4
- 4 Numbers 13-16
- 5 1 Chronicles 20-24
- 6 Psalms 105-107
- 7 Proverbs 22
- 8 Joel
- 9 John 13-15
- 10 Titus
- 11 Numbers 17-20
- 12 1 Chronicles 25-29
- 13 Psalms 108-110
- 14 Proverbs 23-24
- 15 Amos 1-4
- 16 John 16-18
- 17 Philemon
- 18 Numbers 21-24
- 19 2 Chronicles 1-5
- 20 Psalms 111-113
- 21 Proverbs 25
- 22 Amos 5-9
- 23 John 19-21
- 24 Hebrews 1-4
- 25 Numbers 25-28
- 26 2 Chronicles 6-10
- 27 Psalms 114-116
- 28 Proverbs 26-27
- 29 Obadiah
- 30 Acts 1-2

